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SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
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MARINE CASUALTIES
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of marine casualties and loss of ships in the Indian territorial waters during the last three years and current year;

(b) whether the Government proposes to create Marine Emergency Relief Fund;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether a Committee of Experts has been set up to look into all these aspects; and

(e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the recommendations made by the Committee?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a): A statement indicating the details of the maritime casualties involving the loss of ships in the Indian territorial waters during the years 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 is given in Annexure I.

(b) to (e): A "Committee on Urgent Measures for Prevention of Marine Casualties and Emergency Response" was constituted in July, 2007 to study and recommend the measures to reduce the marine casualties in the Indian Coastal waters. The recommendations made by the Committee are given in Annexure II. Keeping in view the recommendations of the Committee, a proposal for creation of Marine Emergency Fund is under the consideration of the Government.